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SUBJECT:PROPOSAL TO INCLUDE EMIRBEKOV INTO IREX SENIOR
RESEARCH SCHOLAR PROGRAM FOR 1975--1976

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FOR ACAO MILLER, PLS PASS TO KASSOF/MATUSZEWSKI

1. DEPT CONTACTED JAN5 BY IREX REP JULIA HOLM, WHO
REQUESTED DEPT BRING FOLLOWING SITUATION TO ATTENTION
OF ACAO AND IREX OFFICIALS KASSOF AND MATUSZEWSKI, NOW
IN MOSCOW FOR TALKS WITH MHE: SOVIET SCIENTIST
E. Z. EMIRBEKOV, CHAIRMAN OF DEPT OF NEUROCHEMISTRY
AT DAGESTAN STATE UNIVERSITY, USSR, ARRIVED IN USA
JAN 4 WITH SPONSORSHIP AT ROCKEFELLER U. IN JEOPARDY
BECAUSE OF FUNDING DIFFICULTIES. ROCKEFELLER U.
IMMEDIATELY CONTACTED IREX FOR HELP. HOLM NOW SUGGESTING
THAT EMIRBEKOV BE INCLUDED INTO 1975-1976 IREX SENIOR
RESEARCH SCHOLAR PROGRAM WITH PLACEMENT TO REMAIN AT
ROCKEFELLER U. BOTH HOLM AND DEPT FEEL THAT THERE ARE
GOOD REASONS FOR INCLUDING EMIRBEKOV INTO CURRENT IREX
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PROGRAM. DETAILS FOLLOW:

2. EMIRBEKOV IN REFTTEL A ORIGINALLY APPLIED FOR VISA TO MAKE 6-MONTH VISIT TO ROCKEFELLER U. AT INVITATION OF

PROF. BRUCE MCEWEN. DEPT FORWARDED VISA AUTHORIZATION VIA REFTTEL B. DUE TO A FUNDING CONTINGENCY, PROF. MCEWEN NOW UNABLE TO SUPPORT EMIRBEKOV VISIT FOR MORE THAN 2 WEEKS. ROCKEFELLER U. HAS REQUESTED IREX HELP AT SUGGESTION OF EMIRBEKOV, WHO HAD BEEN ADVISED BY MHE PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE FROM USSR TO CONTACT IREX IN THE EVENT OF ANY DIFFICULTIES WHEN IN USA. ROCKEFELLER U. WOULD BE ABLE TO PROVIDE FULL PROGRAM FOR EMIRBEKOV, PROVIDED FUNDING CAN BE FOUND. FROM TALKS BETWEEN ROCKEFELLER U. AND IREX REP JULIA HOLM, SUGGESTION HAS DEVELOPED THAT IREX ARRANGE TO INCLUDE EMIRBEKOV WITHIN CURRENT 1975-1976 SENIOR RESEARCH SCHOLAR QUOTA WITH MHE.

3. JULIA HOLM ON JAN 5 DISCUSSED EMIRBEKOV SITUATION WITH DEPTOFFS, AND THEN SENT COMMERCIAL CABLE TO BAZHANOV AT MHE. TEXT OF CABLE AS FOLLOWS:
"PLEASE CONFIRM NOMINATION SOONEST OF YOUR SCHOLAR EMIRBEKOV FOR 1975-1976 SENIOR RESEARCH SCHOLAR EXCHANGE AS REGULAR EXCHANGE PARTICIPANT. PLACEMENT WOULD BE AT ROCKEFELLER U. FOR STAY OF 6 MONTHS."

4. F.Y.I. FOR ACAO AND IREX OFFICIALS KASSOF AND MATUSZEWSKI: IF ARRANGED, INCLUSION OF EMIRBEKOV WOULD BRING TOTAL OF MAN-MONTHS PROGRAMMED BY IREX FOR SOVIET SENIOR RESEARCHERS TO 43.5 RPT 43.5.
JULIA HOLM STRONGLY RECOMMENDS INCLUSION. EMIRBEKOV WAS UNDER IREX SPONSORSHIP DURING MARCH-MAY 1974. VISIT WAS PARTICULARLY SUCCESSFUL. INCLUSION FOR CURRENT EXCHANGE WOULD HAVE HIGH PROSPECTS FOR ADDITIONAL SUCCESS. IN PREVIOUS VISIT, EMIRBEKOV WAS ALSO AT ROCKEFELLER U. WITH PROF. MCEWEN AS HOST. AS KASSOF AND MATUSZEWSKI AWARE, THERE ARE A NUMBER OF PRECEDENTS OF IREX SUPPORTING A SECOND VISIT BY SOVIET SCHOLARS. EXAMPLE OF SIVACHEV IS ONE WHICH COULD BE CITED. END F.Y.I.

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5. FOR ACAO: DEPT REQUESTS THAT YOU RELATE THESE DETAILS TO KASSOF AND MATUSZEWSKI ASAP. DEPT RECOMMENDS THAT IREX OFFICIALS USE DEPT CABLES AS REPLY CHANNELS. DEPT WOULD BE GLAD TO PASS REPLY IMMEDIATELY TO JULIA HOLM AT IREX. PLS SLUG REPLIES FOR BOTH CU/EE AND EUR/SOV. DEMARZO IS HANDLING, SINCE EMIRBEKOV ORIGINALLY RECEIVED VISA UNDER NON-IREX SPONSORSHIP. FOR SAME REASON, THERE WAS NO, RPT NO, DSP-66 FILED FOR EMIRBEKOV. IF INCLUSION

APPROVED BY IREX AND MHE, IREX WILL TAKE CARE OF DSP-66
MATTER IN NYC. YOUR HELP APPRECIATED. KISSINGER

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